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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: LICENSING OF MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY

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1. NO APPLICATION CURRENTLY PENDING FOR RELEASE
MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY FOR SUBJECT EQUIPMENT. PNEUMO
CORPORATION REQUESTS RE ABOVE WERE PREVIOUSLY DISAPPROVED
MARCH 28, 1973 AND MARCH 19, 1974 (MUNITIONS CASE 59-72).

2. DISCLOSURE LIMITATIONS PROHIBIT RELEASE PRODUCTION
TECHNOLOGY ON SUBJECT ACTUATORS TO ISRAEL. ITEMS
DELINEATED IN DOD/ISA MEMO "U.S. SUPPORT OF ISRAELI
AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION", MARCH 16, 1973 AS EQUIPMENT ON
WHICH NO PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY SHOULD BE RELEASED.
THIS RESTRICTION APPLIES TO VARIOUS CRITICAL J-79
AIRCRAFT ENGINE COMPONENTS AND ALLOWS USG TO MAINTAIN
HOLD ON ISRAELI PRODUCTION OF COMPLETE ENGINES AND
THUS NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT PRODUCED. SIMILAR ARRANGEMENTS
HAVE BEEN EFFECTED IN USG APPROVALS OF CO-PRODUCTION
ARRANGEMENTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES INVOLVING DIFFERENT
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TYPES OF EQUIPMENT.

3. STATE-OF-THE-ART WAS NOT A CONSIDERATION IN DRAWING UP RESTRICTED LIST. CRITERIA BASICALLY THAT PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY FOR ITEMS ON LIST NOT READILY AVAILABLE ELSEWHERE OR EASY TO DEVELOP IN-COUNTRY (REVERSE ENGINEERING). GOI, AS RESULT OF DISCUSSIONS WITH USG RE J-79 PRODUCTION PROGRAM, IS AWARE OF US INTENT AND REASONS FOR LIMITING PRODUCTION. AMCOR SHOULD THUS DISCUSS SITUATION WITH GOI. IF SUBJECT IS RAISED, EMBASSY SHOULD ADVISE GOI THAT STATE-OF-THE-ART ARGUMENT NOT PERTINENT; AND THAT USG FEELS THAT RELEASE OF TECHNOLOGY ON ONE SUCH CRITICAL COMPONENT WILL LEAD TO RELEASE REQUESTS, FROM US MANUFACTURERS OR THEIR ISRAELI REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER RESTRICTED ITEMS, WHICH USG NOT PREPARED TO ENTERTAIN. KISSINGER

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